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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

Applicant hereby responds to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (hereinafter "Notice") dated August 8, 2006.

In the Notice, the Examiner indicated that the terminal disclaimer submitted with the prior response was defective because it was not signed by the current assignee of record. For the reasons stated below, Applicant believes that this application is in fact subject to an earlier-recorded assignment and that the terminal disclaimer is, in fact, signed by the correct assignee.

This application was filed on November 14, 2003 as a continuation of Serial No. 10/033,836, which subsequently issued as United States Patent No. 6,660, 024. Prior to filing of this continuation application, on September 9, 2003, an assignment was executed assigning all of the right, title and interest in and to parent application Serial No. 10/033,836 from Transvascular,